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**Subject:** RE: ammonia/recreation criteria letter

I think we mentioned this before but we are still hoping (ideal world) to coordinate with the ID, WA, and OR Services more and provide some up-front indication to R10 states/tribes that adopting the 2013 ammonia criteria would not result in jeopardy. Something akin (as I understand it) to how we handled the regional temperature guidance rollout. Ideally we could do that for all the aquatic life toxics criteria...

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From: Szelag, Matthew  
Sent: Monday, May 19, 2014 5:24 PM  
To: Braley, Susan (ECY); mgil461@ECY.WA.GOV; cnie461@ecy.wa.gov  
Cc: Chung, Angela  
Subject: RE: ammonia/recreation criteria letter

Hi Susan,  
No, the ammonia criteria did not undergo a national consultation, so Region 10 would be responsible for consultation after a state adopts the new criteria.

It's my understanding that Oregon is planning to adopt the new ammonia criteria in follow-up to our 2013 disapproval, so they will likely be the first up in our region. I believe there's some coordination going on with the Services already, but I'm not sure how we anticipate the consultation to go.

Angela - if you want to clarify or add anything, please let us know. Thanks,

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From: Braley, Susan (ECY) [mailto:SUBR461@ECY.WA.GOV]  
Sent: Monday, May 19, 2014 4:58 PM  
To: Szelag, Matthew; mgil461@ECY.WA.GOV; cnie461@ecy.wa.gov  
Cc: Chung, Angela  
Subject: RE: ammonia/recreation criteria letter

Thanks Matt--We will let Heather know that the paper copy is on the way. I'm curious about the ammonia criteria--did that go through ESA consultation up front or does that still have to happen after a state adopts? Do they expect the ESA consultation to go fairly smoothly for these criteria?

Susan

-----Original Message-----

From: Szelag, Matthew [mailto:Szelag.Matthew@epa.gov]  
Sent: Monday, May 19, 2014 3:41 PM  
To: Gildersleeve, Melissa (ECY); Braley, Susan (ECY); Niemi, Cheryl (ECY)  
Cc: Chung, Angela  
Subject: RE: ammonia/recreation criteria letter

Hi Melissa, Susan, and Cheryl,  
On Friday, we mailed the ammonia/recreation criteria letter that I had notified you about a couple months ago. We decided to go with a fairly standardized letter for Region 10 states/tribes which shouldn't look

too different from the example I shared with you earlier. I've attached a pdf version and you should be getting the paper copy soon.

Thanks,

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-----Original Message-----

From: Gildersleeve, Melissa (ECY) [mailto:MGIL461@ECY.WA.GOV]  
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To: Szelag, Matthew; Braley, Susan (ECY); cnie461@ecy.wa.gov  
Cc: Chung, Angela  
Subject: RE: ammonia/recreation criteria letter

Thanks---your HQ folks are very busy. Can we add this to a future PPA discussion???

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From: Szelag, Matthew [mailto:Szelag.Matthew@epa.gov]  
Sent: Friday, March 07, 2014 10:29 AM  
To: Gildersleeve, Melissa (ECY); Braley, Susan (ECY); Niemi, Cheryl (ECY)  
Cc: Chung, Angela  
Subject: ammonia/recreation criteria letter

Hi Melissa, Susan and Cheryl,

EPA HQ is asking the Regions to send letters to our states encouraging the adoption of EPA's new national recommended criteria for recreation and ammonia aquatic life. I've attached an example letter that was sent to Connecticut so you can get a general idea.

We wanted to give you a heads up that we will likely be sending some version of this letter to you in April - recognizing that it needs to somehow fit in among all the other priorities you are working on. I just left Cheryl a voicemail to let her know about this as well. We can talk about that further, but before we send the letters, we are curious if you have any feedback or questions you'd like to discuss? I know this is a very busy time for you, so please let us know when you have a chance.

Thanks in advance.

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